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Item 1(b) of the provisional agenda

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

Organization of the work of the session

Note by the secretariat

The present note contains the secretariat's suggestions for the organization of work of the forty-third session of the Trade and Development Board.

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ORGANIZATION OF WORK OF THE SESSION

1. The annotated provisional agenda for the forty-third session of the Board is in TD/B/43/1.

Establishment of Sessional Committees

2. The Board may wish, in accordance with rule 62 of its Rules of Procedure, to set up two sessional committees and refer to them items on the agenda. The proposed allocation of items between the Plenary and Sessional Committees, in accordance with rule 13, is indicated in annex I to this document.

3. In order to accommodate the needs of small delegations, plenary meetings have been scheduled in the mornings, while afternoons have been devoted exclusively to meetings of the Sessional Committees.

4. Limited facilities have been made available for regional group meetings in the mornings.

Tentative schedule of meetings

5. A schedule of meetings is given in annex II below. It is understood that this schedule should be flexible to take into account developments during the session.

Control and limitation of documentation

5. The note by the UNCTAD secretariat in TD/B/INF.191 draws attention to a note by the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the control and limitation of documentation (A/AC.172/INF.15, of 16 August 1993). Copies are available at the Documents Distribution Counter at Door 40.

Annex I

ALLOCATION OF ITEMS

	PLENARY
1(a)	Election of officers
1(b)	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work of the session
1(c)	Adoption of the report on credentials
1(d)	Provisional agenda for the forty-fourth session of the Board
2.	Segment for high-level participation; substantive policy item: Foreign direct investment and development in a globalizing world economy
3.	Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective: Rethinking development strategies; some lessons from East Asian development experience
8(a)	Progressive development of the law of international trade: twenty-ninth annual report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law
8(b)	Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO on its twenty-ninth session
9(a)	Review of the list of States annexed to General Assembly resolution 1995(XIX)
9(b)	Designation of intergovernmental bodies for the purposes of rule 76 of the rules of procedure of the Board
9(c)	Designation and classification of non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board
9(d)	Review of the calendar of meetings
9(e)	Administrative and financial implications of the actions of the Board
10.	Other business
11.	Adoption of the report of the Board

SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I

4. Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s

   (a) Review of implementation of the Programme of Action for the LDCs for the 1990s

   (b) UNCTAD's contribution to the work of relevant international organizations in the implementation of the Uruguay Round Final Act Decision on Measures in Favour of the Least Developed Countries by assisting the LDCs that are WTO members to take maximum advantage of the special and differential measures provided for in the Uruguay Round Agreements

5. UNCTAD's contribution to the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s and the role of UNCTAD in the implementation of the United Nations System-wide Special Initiative on Africa

SESSIONAL COMMITTEE II

6. Review of technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD

7. Matters requiring action by the Board in follow-up to the ninth session of the Conference and arising from or related to reports and activities of its subsidiary and other bodies:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD on preparations for a meeting with actors in development;

   (b) Improving the participation of developing countries' experts in UNCTAD meetings, including the question of financing their participation

Annex II

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS
FIRST WEEK
(7 - 11 October 1996)

Monday 7/10	Tuesday 8/10	Wednesday 9/10	Thursday 10/10	Friday 11/11
10 a.m. **PLENARY SALLE XX** Opening of Session 1(a) Election officers 1(b) Adoption of agenda and org. of work Statement by Secretary-General of UNCTAD Any other general statements Establishment of SESSIONAL COMMITTEES Election of Chairmen	**10 a.m.** **PLENARY SALLE XX** Item 3 Interdependence (Opening)	**10 a.m.** **PLENARY SALLE XX** Informal Panel discussion (Item 3)	**10 a.m.** **PLENARY ASSEMBLY HALL** Segment for High-Level Participation (Item 2)	**10 a.m.** **PLENARY SALLE XX** Item 3 Interdependence (General debate)
3 p.m. **BUREAU - SALLE XXVI** 9(c) NGOs 10 Other business (Pub. policy; coord. & coop. organisation) **4 p.m.** **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I** **SALLE XXVI** Election Vice-Chairman-cum-Rapporteur Opening of items **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE II** **SALLE XVIII** Election Vice-Chairman-cum-Rapporteur Opening of items	**3 p.m.** **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I** **SALLE XXVI** Item 4 LDCs (cont'd) **3 p.m.** **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE II** **SALLE XVIII** Item 6 Technical Cooperation (cont'd)	**3 p.m.** **PLENARY SALLE XX** Informal Panel discussion (Item 3) (cont'd)	**3 p.m.** **PLENARY ASSEMBLY HALL** Segment for High-Level Participation (Item 2) (cont'd)	**3 p.m.** **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I** **SALLE XXVI** Item 4 LDCs (cont'd) **3 p.m.** **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE II** **SALLE XVIII** Item 6 Technical Cooperation (cont'd)

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SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS
SECOND WEEK
(14 - 18 October 1996)

Monday 14/10	Tuesday 15/10	Wednesday 16/10	Thursday 17/10	Friday 18/10
11 a.m. **PLENARY SALLE XX** Item 3 Interdependence (General debate cont'd)	11 a.m. **PLENARY SALLE XX** Item 3 Interdependence (Closing of general debate)	10 a.m. **PLENARY SALLE XX** Item 8(a) UNCITRAL Item 8(b) JAG Item 9(b) IGOs Item 9(c) NGOs 12 noon **BUREAU SALLE XXVI** Credentials		11 a.m. **PLENARY SALLE XX** 1(c) Credentials 1(d) Prov.agenda 9(a) List States Report of SC.I Report of SC.II 9(d) Calendar 9(e) Fin.imps. 10 Other bus. 11 Adopt Report
3 p.m. **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I** **SALLE XXVI** Item 5 Africa (opening)	3 p.m. **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I** **SALLE XXVI** Item 5 Africa (cont'd)	3 p.m. **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I** **SALLE XXVI** Item 4 LDCS Item 5 Africa (closing)	3 p.m. **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I** **SALLE XXVI** Adoption of report	
3 p.m. **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE II** **SALLE XVIII** Item 7(a) Actors in development Item 7(b) developing countries experts (opening)	3 p.m. **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE II** **SALLE XVIII** Item 7(a) Actors in development Item 7(b) developing countries experts (opening) 4 p.m. **BUREAU - INFORMALS** Item 1(d) Prov. agenda forty-fourth session Item 9(a) Review Lists of States	3 p.m. **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE II** **SALLE XVIII** Item 6 Tech. coop. Item 7(a) Actors/dev. Item 7(b) Developing Countries Experts (closing)	3 p.m. **SESSIONAL COMMITTEE II** **SALLE XVIII** Adoption of report	